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## MAKE PLANS TO FINANCE NEW DEPTS.

Supervisors, Meeting Sunday,  
Outline Plan for Handling  
Sewer and Water Works

FOUR TENTATIVE METHODS  
TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

W. H. McClellan to Confer With  
Governor Regarding the  
Discharge of Bonds

How the water and sewer works are to be financed, particularly with reference to an arrangement with the territory for the redemption of the bonds as their dates of maturity are reached—an arrangement which would give the city and county more time to build up a sinking fund—and also the question of business quarters for the two departments that will come under the jurisdiction of the municipality within a few weeks, were propositions under discussion yesterday when the board of supervisors met in caucus for a few hours.

Supervisor W. H. McClellan, chairman of the ways and means committee of the board, was appointed a committee of one to call on the governor to work out a satisfactory arrangement for the discharge of the bonds. Four propositions have been outlined; they are printed in full below.

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## HILLO SUPPORTS RESOLUTION OF JOINT MEETING

Forwards Cable to Washington  
Favoring Local Men for  
Federal Positions

"The directors of the Board of Trade of Hilo, Hawaii, join in the request of the Honolulu commercial organizations urging the appointment of capable local men, of whom there are many in Hawaii, to federal offices in this territory."

The foregoing message this morning was received by H. P. Wood, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, by wireless from the Hilo Board of Trade, and immediately forwarded by cable to President Woodrow Wilson.

This makes the second message to be received by the local commercial organizations from other like bodies in the territory, upholding the action taken last week at a joint meeting of the trustees of the Chamber of Commerce and the directors of the Merchants' Association, at which time a resolution was passed whereby a cablegram was sent to William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, urging that, if any change is to be made, a resident of this territory be appointed to the position of collector of customs for the territory, from which position E. R. Stackpole recently was asked to resign. At the same time, it was moved that commercial organizations on the other islands be informed of the action of the meeting, and to give their support to the action. The Kanae Chamber of Commerce already has given its support, the Maui organization being the only one yet to be heard from.

## ADMIRAL MOORE TO ENTERTAIN AT NEW RESIDENCE ON BEACH

Admiral and Mrs. Moore are occupying the Judge Dole residence near Diamond Head, and their tea to which invitations have been issued for tomorrow afternoon will be given at that place.

Special notice is made of this in order that guests may not make the mistake of going to Admiral Moore's Manoa residence.

## MONUMENTS

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## HENRY FRANCIS FERGUSON ESCAPES NOOSE; GETS COMMUTED SENTENCE



Henry Francis Ferguson, whose sentence was commuted from hanging to life imprisonment by Governor Pinkham today.

## Slayer of Police Officer Manuel D. Abreu to Spend Life in Prison

This morning Governor Pinkham signed the necessary papers that will allow Henry Francis Ferguson, who was sentenced to death for the murder of Police Officer Abreu, to live out his life in prison. The commutation of the death sentence has been rather expected, and the letter of the governor to Attorney-General Stainback fully explains the reasons the chief executive had for commuting the death sentence. A copy of the letter was also sent to the high sheriff and Ferguson was at once informed of his reprieve.

The communication to the attorney-general follows:  
Executive Chamber,  
Honolulu, Hawaii, May 9, 1914.  
Hon. I. M. Stainback, Attorney-General, Honolulu, T. H.

Sir: In commuting the sentence of death imposed by the court on Henry Francis Ferguson to imprisonment for life, it is proper a record be made of the reasons therefor.

This young man within the space of a few days committed four crimes, two of them of the most serious character, one being that of murder in the first degree, for which crime the law prescribes death as the penalty, leaving no power of discretion on the part of the presiding judge.

In case the rigors of law need modification, the decision is left to the judgment and conscience of the governor.

I believe that the safety of society demands the exercise of the death penalty, but its severity should be modified where there is a question as to the full moral responsibility of the criminal.

That the deed in this case was most harrowing in its results is true, and only the findings of a careful investigation can justify leniency, and even then there is a struggle to refrain from exercising it.

That Henry F. Ferguson is conscious of right and wrong in the pri-

## OIL ON MERCHANT STREET ROUSES IRE OF BUSINESSMEN

A roar is being heard on Merchant street today, with crude oil and water the cause of the roar. The engineering department of the city and county ordered the street to be oiled, and oiled it was; and now comes the roar, for all the stores and offices have shadings of petroleum on the floors, elegant tile has been made dark and sticky, and expensive linoleum has lost its chaste designs.

To put the criticism in the first person, one of the merchants, now irate, is quoted:

"We just got over one crude oil epidemic here, and now we have another. Quite awhile ago the supervisors thought they could pave Fort street as well as Joseph Gilman, and so they tried. The result was awful. Any one with a business around Fort and Merchant streets knows how awful it was."

"The black oil—about four times too much of it was used—sopped down at this corner. A pool of it stood there all the time. There was no end of it. We tracked it into buildings with us, we chased our hairs through it, we took it home with us to put new but in artistic designs on our rugs."

"At last that awful period was ended when Fort street was repaved. But now we are in another mess. Someone gets the idea we can't do without petroleum, and so Merchant street is smeared over with it. No sand to absorb this oil, mind you. Just poured it on, and left it with us to make every floor on the street look hideous."

"Well, after the oil is smeared on, comes then the sprinkling wagon, run by some coo coo clock of a human being. He puts water on the oil. He comes again and he puts more water on. He is paid for putting water on the street and he puts it on."

"I have watched this same coo coo clock sprinkling the streets during a heavy rain."

"There was no need of oiling Merchant street. The man who ordered it put on showed as much judgment as the coo coo clock who sprinkles the streets during a downpour of rain."

The steamer Claudine from Maui ports has been discharged of 110 casks of time, 35 sacks of corn, 43 sacks of taro, a quantity of empty bottles, 10 barrels of wine, and 53 packages of sundries. The vessel is on the berth for dispatch for Maui at 5 o'clock this evening.

## H. GOODING FIELD ANSWERS QUERIES ASKED IN LETTER CONVOCATION OF LOCAL MISSIONS CONVENES MAY 30

Duty of Auditor of Territory Is  
Defined by Accountant in  
Reply to Questions

CARL S. SMITH INCIDENT  
IS GIVEN FURTHER LIGHT

Records Show Attorney Collect-  
ed Claim Before Assignment  
or Authorization Given

"The questions propounded to me in a letter, signed 'Commune Bonum,' which appeared in your issue of Friday last, refer to matters of vital importance in the Hawaii county graft situation, and is a large order," says H. Gooding Field. "I will be as brief as possible in answering the same."

"Question No. 1. Can you explain, as an expert accountant, whether Territorial Auditor Fisher followed the law by accepting, without a check, the annual statements which he received from the county auditor of Hawaii? If he had compared same with previous statements, were the figures submitted so compiled that he could have detected irregularities?"

"The provisions of Section 85 of Act 39—the County Act of 1905—referred to by the Territorial Auditor as the limitation of his duties as affecting county auditors, reads as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the auditor of the territory to confer from time to time with the several county auditors relative to the books to be kept by county officers and the forms thereof, and the form of report required to be made, and to institute a uniform system throughout the several counties. And it shall be the duty of each county auditor to see that the instructions of said territorial auditor in this respect are carried out, and of each county officer to keep his books and accounts and make his reports in the form prescribed by said territorial auditor."

"The above laws is mandatory as to the territorial auditor instituting a uniform system of accounts for the counties, with proper forms, etc., together with the form of report required to be made. To be made to whom? In the first instance, at stated periods, by county officers to the county auditor, and at the end of each fiscal year, by the county auditor to the territorial auditor. The figures contained in these annual financial reports to the territorial auditor are embodied in the annual report of the territorial auditor to the governor, and are included in the governor's annual report to the secretary of the interior."

"I will answer the first part of the above query by quoting from the Practical Manual for Auditors, Second American Edition, 1909, the standard work on auditing—Liabilities and Auditors—(page 280) by Lawrence R. Dicksee, M. Com., F. C. A., of the London School of Economics and Political Science (University of London):

"However desirable it may be to know exactly the bare extent of the legal responsibility (of an auditor), the real professional responsibility ought always to be the ideal; and, further, an auditor will be the worst of friends to his profession if he studiously exerts himself to narrow the responsibilities, and so to dwarf the importance of his position."

Even a cursory examination and a comparison of the several annual reports would have shown the irregularities in the ledger of the county of Hawaii had been made from the commencement of county government (July 1st, 1895) to March 31st, 1913 (the final date of my investigation). I am safe in stating also that there was no trial balance taken as of December 31st, 1913—the end of the last fiscal year.

I will quote again from Dicksee's Manual on Auditing—the trial balance—(page 45):

"It should be the auditor's aim, so far as possible, to carry each department of his investigation right up to the trial balance at the same sitting; the auditor must always remember that there is material danger in leaving any portion unfinished in the hands of bookkeepers or cashiers, who—for all he can know to the contrary—may manipulate the figures during the course of the audit. The auditor should keep everything in his own hands until the audit is completed as far as the trial balance. Having secured a trial balance that he knows has not been tampered with, the auditor may cease to trouble himself about the materials from which it was built up—they may be manipulated and altered up and down, but he holds in his own hand the key to the whole situation."

Question No. 3. Was it not the most important duty of the territorial bank examiner to inspect, as to value, the notes and securities held by the First Bank of Hilo, Limited, as collateral for the loan made to the Hawaiian Republic?"

Silk kimono in pale colors are heavily embroidered with silk roses.

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## CHIEF ENGINEER FOR CALIFORNIA-HAWAIIAN SUGAR COMPANY KILLED

C. M. Hansen Dead As Result of Automobile Going Over Cliff—  
Sixteen-Year-Old Daughter, Driving Car, and Two Children Have Miraculous Escape from Death

[Associated Press Cable]  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—C. M. Hansen, chief engineer for the California-Hawaiian Sugar Company, was instantly killed when the automobile in which he was riding went over a cliff.

Edith Hansen, the 16-year-old daughter of the dead man, was driving the car at the time of the accident. Two children, riding in the machine at the time, and the young girl at the wheel miraculously escaped.

[Associated Press Cable]  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—The Building Trades' Employees' Association of this city has ordered a general lockout because the painters refuse to return to work, following a difference with the employers.

## San Francisco Employers Lock Out Painters—Fair Buildings Not Affected

The work on the Panama-Pacific exposition buildings is not affected by this move as an agreement was reached a couple of years ago, whereby the exposition buildings will be completed regardless of labor troubles, it is believed.

## Sentence Against Gompers, Et Al, Set Aside by U.S. Court

[Associated Press Cable]  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—The U. S. supreme court today set aside the sentences against Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, who were convicted on charges of contempt of court.

## Steamer San Jose Reaches San Francisco With Refugees

[Associated Press Cable]  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—The S. S. San Jose reached this port today, carrying 65 refugees from the west coast of Mexico.

## JUDGE HUMPHREYS NOT AFTER POLITICAL PIE: HAS CONFIDENTIAL CABLE

Cables are flying at a rapid rate between officials of the federal court and the Washington authorities. This morning a message arrived from the Capitol and, although it was addressed to Judge Humphreys, it seemed to interest District Attorney Jeff McCann very much. Humphreys conveyed the cablegram to the federal court and showed it to McCann. The latter smiled and nodded, and then Humphreys left the court.

Rumors were going the rounds that Humphreys had been endorsed to succeed Judge Clemens on the federal court bench. Humphreys, when asked about the matter, stated that he is not now, has not been and will not be a candidate for any office, either federal or territorial. When asked about the cable Humphreys said:

"Yes, I did receive a very important message from Washington this morning, but it is of a very confidential character and, of course, I cannot disclose its contents."

Mr. McCann stated this morning that he had nothing to say about the cables that have been sent and received.

## HAIKU DISTRICT TO SHIP FRESH PINE TO THE MAINLAND

The Hailu district on Maui, a growing pineapple center, will undertake to ship fresh pine to the mainland, according to the Maui News. This decision was reached at a recent meeting of the homesteaders and at the suggestion of Dr. E. V. Wilcox, agent in charge of the federal experiment station.

The Hailu growers will begin at once to give the fresh pine a thorough trial on shipments. Dr. Wilcox expects to obtain the services of Leonard Clark, of the College of Hawaii, who is regarded as an expert in the grading and packing of pineapples. The growers will do their shipping co-operatively.

Yellowstone National Park will be accurately reproduced in the amusement concession district of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco in 1915. The giant geysers and cliffs of the region will be duplicated in miniature, but with such regard for perspective and distance coloring, that the spectator will receive the impression of one actually within the valley. The feature is being built by the Union Pacific Railway system at a cost of several hundred thousand dollars.

Left unguarded in a log cabin in Big Pine, Wyo., is furniture for which antiquarians would gladly give a fortune. It was brought to Wyoming in the early 80s, and was owned in Philadelphia for almost a century before being brought from France, and dates back to the time of Louis XIV. When the owners left the cabin recently for a visit they were urged to leave a caretaker, but refused, not believing that any one would steal anything.

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JUDGE DOLE AT THE  
AD CLUB LUNCHEON

A birthday luncheon for Judge Dole will be the feature of the Ad Club luncheon sixth floor Cafe Young Hotel tomorrow noon. Just to be different, the Ad Club will not give the Judge a present but will receive much from him. Judge Dole will give a short talk on the interesting racial situation in the islands. In addition to this the program will include a selection of two by Miss Barbara of British Columbia, a waltz, voiced guest of the city who is on her way to Australia. The regular luncheon will include reports from such working committees as the road committee, the promotion committee, the dance committee and last but not least the returns from the great county fair committee.